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Job Title: 18806 - Hostage Intelligence Branch Chief, NCTC/DI/SIG - GS-15

Salary Range: \$112,021 - \$161,900 (not applicable for detailees)

Vacancy Open Period: 04/28/2017 – 05/13/2017

Position Type: Cadre, Detailee

Who May Apply: Internal ODNI Candidates, Federal Government Employees

Division: NCTC/DI

Duty Location: McLean, VA

Security Clearance: TS/SCI with CI Polygraph

Travel Required: 0-25% Travel

Relocation Expenses: For new ODNI employees, reimbursement for relocation is discretionary based on availability of funds.

Job Interview Travel: Candidates from outside the Washington, D.C., area may be selected for a telephone, teleconference, or in-person interview. If selected for an in-person interview, any travel or lodging will be at the applicant's personal expense.

Position Information

This is an opportunity for:

- An internal candidate to fill a GS-15 cadre position.
- A Federal Government employee to serve on a two-year reimbursable detail assignment in the ODNI. The detail assignment may be extended an additional year if all parties agree.

Who May Apply

Current GS employees at the same grade or one grade lower than the advertised position grade may apply.

Former members of the Peace Corps may be considered for ODNI employment only if five full years have elapsed since separation from the Peace Corps.

- For a cadre assignment:
 - Current ODNI cadre.
 - Current ODNI Staff Reserve Employees. (A staff reserve employee who currently occupies this position may not apply.)
- For a detailee assignment:
 - Current Federal Government employees.



Salary Determination

- The ODNI uses a rank-in-person system in which rank is attached to the individual. A selected ODNI candidate or other Federal Government candidate will be assigned to the position at the employee's current GS grade and salary.
- A current Federal Government employee, selected for a detail, will be assigned to the position at his or her current grade and salary.

Component Mission

The National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) leads our nation's effort to combat terrorism at home and abroad by analyzing the threat, sharing that information with our partners, and integrating all instruments of national power to ensure unity of effort. The Center serves as the primary organization in the United States Government (USG) for analyzing and integrating all intelligence possessed or acquired by the USG pertaining to terrorism and counterterrorism, and its Director serves as the Counterterrorism Mission Manager. NCTC also serves as the central and shared knowledge bank on known and suspected terrorists and international terrorist groups, as well as their goals, strategies, capabilities, and networks of contacts and support. In addition, NCTC conducts strategic operational planning for counterterrorism activities, coordinating and integrating the efforts of departments and agencies across the Federal Government.

Major Duties and Responsibilities (MDRs)

Group Mission: The Hostage Intelligence Branch is housed in the Strategic Issues Group in NCTC's Directorate of Intelligence. The Strategic Issues Group drives the IC's analytic production on strategic counterterrorism issues—those that are inherently crosscutting, forward looking, and have major implications for the US and its allies. The successful candidate will lead a team with a skilled mix of employees on rotation from across the IC as well as Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) staff employees. Branch Role: The Hostage Intelligence Branch focuses on terrorist kidnappings worldwide and supports the US Government's hostage recovery efforts.

- Provide expert guidance and leadership in the production of well-crafted, sophisticated, analytic finished intelligence products on sometimes controversial or particularly difficult issues in support of United States (US) foreign policy and national security objectives; review final analytic products, written and oral, for clarity, organization, accuracy, and logic; effectively explain highly complex concepts to non-expert customers and tailor products to correspond to customer needs.
- Lead and direct team in substantive analysis; plan, coordinate, and oversee work in a manner consistent with fulfilling organizational directives and accomplishing mission goals.
- Lead and direct team in the gathering of open-source and intelligence information in support of US interests and policy objectives; guide teams in the development and identification of highly relevant assessments drawing on internal and external sources to meet client needs.
- Develop and maintain working relationships with internal and external counterparts, communicating regularly to exchange subject information.
- Develop the substantive analytic and leadership skills of subordinate employees, and contribute to the broader corporate mission of the organization.
- Serve as the primary approver for the allocation of resources including but not limited to training, travel, and contracts; advise senior leadership on resource needs for the entire unit. • Evaluate and develop analysts; serve as a



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substantive supervisory and analytic resource; provide substantive feedback to include career development counseling and skills development.

Mandatory and Educational Requirements

- Demonstrated analytic and critical thinking skills, including superior ability to think strategically and drive production.
- Demonstrated subject matter expertise in CT issues.
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively in a team or collaborative environment, and to develop and mentor analysts.
- Strong task management skills and a proven ability to work well in a fast-paced, high-pressure environment.

Desired Requirements

- NCTC is seeking an experienced officer with a background in all-source analysis and an interest in leading a high-performing team focused on hostage cases with a terrorism nexus.
- Successful candidates will have leadership experience and a demonstrated knowledge of analytic tradecraft.

Key Requirements and How To Apply

Internal ODNI Candidates:

A complete application package must include:

- RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: Applications should be sent to either DNI-MSD-HR-RR-Team_C_WMA@dni.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamC@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to both saksdav@dni.ic.gov (*David S.*) and longvj@cia.ic.gov (*Vince L.*) in lieu of the group address above. All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.

Applications submitted through the classified email system should NOT contain classified information above the TS//SI//TK//NOFORN level.

Current Federal Employees Applying for a Detail Assignment:

Applicants from federal agencies within the Intelligence Community (IC) may be considered for this position as a reimbursable detailee, if endorsed by the employing agency. Applicants must have current TS/SCI clearances with polygraph or have the ability to obtain one. The ODNI does not conduct polygraphs or provide security clearances for detailees. **Applicants from within the IC must submit an application through the classified [IC Joint Duty Program website](#).**



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Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC must provide:

- a. **WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT** from the employing agency concurring with the detail.
- b. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- c. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- d. **CURRENT SF-50:** Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record.
- e. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

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All Applicants:

APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST CONTAIN ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE. AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

Your application **MUST** be received by midnight on the closing date of this announcement. Applications received after the closing date will **NOT** be eligible for consideration.

To verify receipt of your application package **ONLY**, you may call 703-275-3955.

What To Expect Next

The most highly qualified candidates will be referred to the hiring manager for further consideration and possible interview. We expect to make a selection within 30 days of the closing date of this announcement. Due to the large number of applications received, applicants will be contacted **ONLY** if they have been selected for an interview.

Agency Contact Information

ODNI Recruitment Team C; Phone: 703-275-3955; Email: Recruitment_TeamC@dni.gov

Other Information

The ODNI is an equal opportunity employer and abides by applicable employment laws and regulations.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: The ODNI provides reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities. IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the Intelligence Community Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity



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